

# COINS Steering Committee

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*Meeting 2013-06-19*

*Minutes: Hanno Langweg*

Time: 2013-06-12T1754 - 2013-06-19T2400

Place: Email

Participants:

- Steering Committee (SC) members: Einar Snekkenes (Scientific Director COINS), Tor Hellesteth (University of Bergen), Audun Jøsang (University of Oslo), Hanno Langweg (Gjøvik University College), Stig Frode Mjølshes (NTNU), Vladimir Oleshchuk (University of Agder), Chunming Rong (University of Stavanger), Ragnar Soleng (University of Tromsø)



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## Meeting minutes 2013-04-23

### Status

#### Action items from previous meetings

1. Statement of contributions: UiA has returned a letter specifying contributions to COINS, UiS still needs to do so.
2. An actions menu compiled of experiences of other research schools and ideas from the AAB has been distributed with the SC meeting invitation.
3. The registration form for Ph.D. students is online:  
<http://www.coinsrs.no/registration>.
4. Common course descriptions have been put on the agenda.
5. A budget proposal for 2013 and 2014 has been put on the agenda and distributed with the SC meeting invitation.
6. No new proposals for a logo have been submitted.
7. UiS has been informed that COINS supports a student seminar with kr. 10 000 for e.g. an invited speaker.
8. A report on experiences gathered on a study tour to other research schools has been put on the website: <http://www.coinsrs.no/collection-of-experiences-with-existing-research-schools/>
9. Leif Nilsen has been asked to have the FRISC Industrial Advisory Board provide input on doctoral training in information security in Norway.
10. Einar Snekkenes and Hanno Langweg participated in the SWITS seminar in Malmö. Ideas for cooperation that emerged during the seminar have been documented on: <http://www.coinsrs.no/coinsswits-malmo-2013/>
11. The NIK steering committee has been asked to reserve 15 minutes for a presentation of COINS that this year's NIK conference.
12. The Metochi summer school has been put on the agenda.
13. The registration form asks for picture, homepage URL, and a short description of the Ph.D. project so that registration information can be used to present Ph.D. students in COINS.
14. All consortium members should have added a link from the websites of their institutions to <http://www.coinsrs.no>. So far, only GUC and UiT have such a link.

#### Admission of students

Currently, 18 students have applied for and been granted admission to COINS:

- GUC: 13
- NTNU: 1
- UiA: 0
- UiB: 3
- UiO: 0

- UiS: 0
- UiT: 1

coinsrs.no

The website <http://www.coinsrs.no> is operational, contains news and reports as well as a registration form. Portraits of registered Ph.D. students will be published weekly as long as supply lasts. The website is intended to be a main communication channel to people outside of COINS.

## Logo

**Decision: COINS uses the following logo(s):**



## Work plan 2013/2014

Actions menu

Postponed to next SC meeting.

Ph.D. student seminar co-located with NISK 18/11-20/11

**Decision: UiS (Chunming Rong and Aryan TaheriMonfared) organises a student seminar co-located with NISK. The seminar starts Wednesday after lunch, includes an overnight stay and concludes on Thursday so that all participants can be home Thursday night. COINS AMO informs about the working format of the SWITS seminar and offers to organise a study tour to the MyPhD workshop in Germany that addresses a similar group (Ph.D. students in IT security). COINS supports the seminar financially with kr. 10 000 to cover direct costs, e.g. an invited speaker. The goal is to have as many COINS students participate as possible, ideally also to have them stay for NISK before the seminar. COINS covers travel costs for participating students, based on simple accommodation (e.g. youth**

hostel or double rooms) so that the budget can cover many participants. COINS invites up to four Ph.D. students from SWITS to foster Norwegian-Swedish network building.

**Action item: Chunming Rong informs Aryan Taheri Monfared about the decision and shepherds the organisation of the seminar.**

Metochi summer school 2014

**Decision: UiA (Vladimir Oleshchuk) develops a proposal for a summer school to be held at the Metochi study centre in 2014, if possible with a visit to ENISA as part of the school. COINS reserves kr. 300 000 in the budget proposal for 2014 to cover accommodation for 20 people and travel costs for 15 students and 5 lecturers. The summer school should be relevant for many Ph.D. students in information security, possibly open for (paying) participants outside of COINS. Participation in the summer school should be credited towards the training component of the Ph.D. programmes of the consortium members. A proposal will be discussed at the next SC meeting.**

**Action item: Vladimir Oleshchuk develops a proposal for the Metochi summer school in 2014 for the next SC meeting.**

Common course descriptions

Postponed to next SC meeting.

## Budget

Activities in 2013 will focus on participation in the Finse winter school (April 2013, done), student mobility (assembling all students at NISK, maybe send some to NordSec), having a CTF Capture the Flag team with students from COINS and SWITS, and a student seminar co-located with NISK.

**Decision: The budget for 2013 is accepted as proposed and the budget proposal for 2014 is noted.**

## Miscellaneous

**Decision: The next SC meeting takes place on Thursday 2013-08-15 from 15:00-16:30 hrs., preferably as a video conference.**

**Decision: The Research Council of Norway may distribute the COINS consortium agreement to other research schools.**